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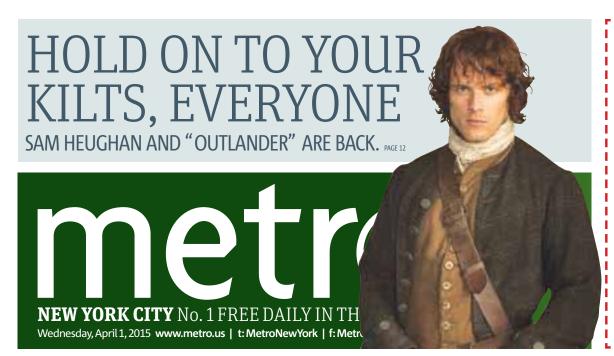
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# TRASHTALK

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Critics demand new garbage rules

#### Talking trash.

Private waste collectors separate the trash collected from private businesses.

A coalition of environmental advocates and neighborhood groups want Mayor Bill de Blasio to rethink the city's trash collection policies, arguing that only 40 percent of the garbage collected from private business is actually recycled or composted.

Members of the "Transform, Don't Trash NYC" campaign want the mayor to completely restructure what private waste collectors do with the 5.5 million tons of waste it picks from area businesses every

The advocacy group Alliance for a Greater New York (ALIGN) says that citywide only about 40 percent of the trash put out on the curb by private businesses — restaurants, office buildings, stores — is actually recycled or composted.

They are suggesting a more streamlined process.

"Right now, we have an outdated system with outdated oversight," said Matt Ryan, executive director of ALIGN. "The good news is the city has the opportunity to adopt a 21st century system to increase recycling, good jobs and justice."

Advocates want that number closer to 70 percent, if not higher, and want the de Blasio adOne man's story



#### Tons of trash

At home, most New Yorkers are used to sorting their plastics and paper: trash in black bags, recyclables in blue.

"Everyone sees that. It's normal," said Allan Henry, 44, a commercial waste worker who jumped on his first truck when he was 16 years old.

"I've been working in the industry for 28 years and I've never once recycled any bottles, cans or plastics," he said. Standing in front of a waste transfer station in Brooklyn's East Williams-

Brooklyn's East Williamsburg, Henry described how most of the trash bags workers like him pick up average 20 or 30 tons per truck a night.

ministration to include it in the mayor's upcoming PlanNYC, an outline for sustainability first released by former Mayor Michael Bloomberg in 2007.

The mayor's office did not immediately respond to Metro's questions on commercial waste in Plan-NYC, but a spokesman reiterated de Blasio's general commitment to sustainability

Despite laws requiring New Yorkers sort their waste, New York City's overall recycling rate has stood near 15 percent for years, with a peak of almost 20 percent in 2002.

Unlike residential trash and recycling, which is picked up by the city's own Department of Sanitation, commercial waste is picked up by private collectors hired by businesses and building owners with little oversight by the city.

De Blasio's PlanNYC is expected out on April 22
— Earth Day.



#### WTC

#### Two more companies moving into Freedom Tower

A financial services company and a technology firm are the latest companies to move their offices into One World Trade Center in Lower Manhattan.

E-commerce site
Tinypass and investment
advisory firm Casablanca
Capital LLC have both
inked five-year leases for
offices on the 46th floor,
The Durst Organization and Port Authority
of New York and New
Jersey announced on
Tuesday.

The company said office space on Floors 45, 46 and 47 of the 1,776-foot-tall tower have been set aside for smaller organizations.

Tinypass has leased 4,936 square feet on the 46th floor of the tower, and Casablanca Capital has leased 2,488 square feet, also on the 46th floor.

One World Trade Center officially opened up to tenants last November when anchor tenant Conde Nast secured 1.2 million square feet of office space for the next 25 years.

The building is now 63 percent leased, spokesman Steve Vitoff told Metro. METRO





# Filicide. Court shrink found Midtown baby-slay mom mentally stable six months ago

The Lower East Side mother accused of suffocating her 20-month-old son in a Midtown burger joint Monday was reportedly mentally disturbed and under court supervision for the past four years.

Latisha Fisher, 35, was diagnosed to be paranoid-

schizophrenic after she was arrested in 2011 on assault and weapons charges, and entered into an alternative sentencing program called CASES, the Daily News reports.

Court psychiatrists have been monitoring her since December of that year, and as recently as six months ago found her to be mentally fit and adjusting "very well to the demands of new motherhood," says a report obtained by the News.

"She has been the poster child for an alternative to an incarceration program," the report said.

"This appears to be an instance where a mental health problem was the underlying cause of this tragedy," Mayor Bill de Blasio told reporters.

Police are investigating the death as a homicide.

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#### Crime

#### Queens woman shot in head after answering door

Police continue to look for the suspect who shot and killed a 70-year-old woman who answered the door of her apartment on 119th Avenue in South Jamaica.

Officers found Leta Webb around 1:39 a.m. Tuesday, with gunshot wounds to the head and arm. She was taken to Jamaica Hospital and pronounced dead.

Webb's daughter, Eva Usher, believes her mother was targeted and killed by gang members, the Daily News reported. Her adopted son, Arnold Webb, is serving a manslaughter sentence of 25-years-to-life, and has reportedly been having problems with a rival gang in prison.

# School advocates want more reporting on police activity

#### **Education.**

Advocates say many behavioral issues can be sorted out with school staff, not police involvement.

Schools are a place for learning, not a prison pipeline, elected officials and education advocates said on Tuesday as they called for greater transparency on police activity in city schools.

Tuesday's rally was held on the steps of City Hall before Councilmembers Vanessa Gibson and Corey Johnson introduced amendments to the School Safety Act, which was originally passed in 2011 and requires the NYPD and Department of Education



to update City Council on police activity in schools on a quarterly basis.

The new legislation would require police and schools to report information on the use of metal detectors, restraints and

EMS calls, as well as multiple suspensions for the same student and school safety agent complaints. The updated School Safety Act would also require reporting by zip code.

"Schools continue to

surprise us with the outrageous methods of discipline. Putting children as young as 5 in handcuffs is not right, it is unacceptable," Gibson said. "[As is] calling EMS for behavioral issues [or] suspending a student multiple times."

Data from the fourth quarter of 2014 show there were 259 arrests and summonses, more than four a day during the five-day period. The Bronx led the five boroughs in the number of arrests and summons, 59 percent of all arrests were black students, and 81.4 percent of all arrests were male students.

Jacqueline Yates, whose 16-year-old son attends a public school, said he was issued a summons for disorderly conduct after having a verbal disagreement with a school safety officer.

"It took three months before we went to court for it ... we went in front

#### Quoted

"We know we're only getting part of the information now. We need the whole picture."

Donna Lieberman, executive director of the New York Civil Liberties Union

of the judge, which took 30 seconds," Yates said.

"This is something that happened in the school and I shouldn't have had to take a day off from work, nor should have my son had to take a day off of school."

"I want my son to go to school to get a diploma, not a court date," Yates said.



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#### Sweet. Pa. Sen. Toomey's candy drawer gets love from Maddow

U.S. Sen. Patrick Toomey (R-Pa.) got some love from MSNBC's Rachel Maddow on Monday night.

Maddow did a bit on Toomey's "Candy Desk" a 50-year-old tradition.

Yes, just like in many offices across the country, in the U.S. Senate, one person is tasked with keeping a drawer stuffed full of candy to share with their colleagues — a tradition started by Sen. George Murphy of California.

That desk, the 24th in the Senate, has been occupied by Toomey since January when he moved desks as the new Republican Senate majority was installed.

The senator with the candy drawer stocks it with sweets manufactured in his home state, so Toomey's got plenty of choices.

The Candy Desk duty is Mounds of responsibility," Toomey said in a statement announcing his arrival at the 24th Senate desk. "I campaigned for





Sen. Patrick Toomey stocks a drawer full of Pennsylvania treats. / PROVIDED

this assignment on the platform of life, liberty and the pursuit of Peeps and hope Pennsylvania's treats will sweeten the bitter partisan atmosphere.

The drawer includes Hershey's chocolates, Mars chocolates like Three Musketeers (manufactured in Elizabethtown), Just Born's "Peeps" from Bethlehem, and smaller candy makers, including Asher's in Kulpsville, Wilbur Chocolate in Lititz, and Josh Early Chocolates in the Lehigh Valley. In total, there

are 200 confectioners employing 10,000 people statewide, according to Toomey.

The "Candy Desk" was previously held by former Pennsylvania Sen. Rick Santorum for more than 10 years, so it has returned to its "rightful place," Toomey's office said in a release.

"Sen. Toomey hopes his colleagues enjoy the candy and maybe the sweets will break the partisan ice," Toomey's office said. SAM NEWHOUSE

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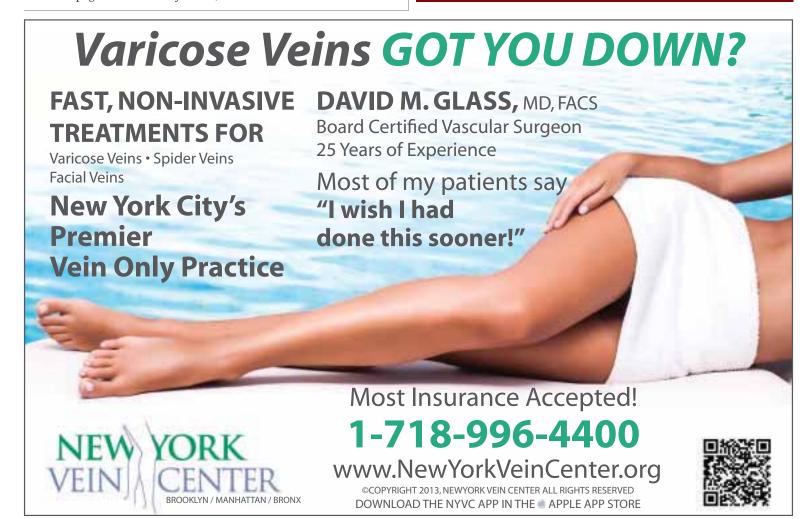
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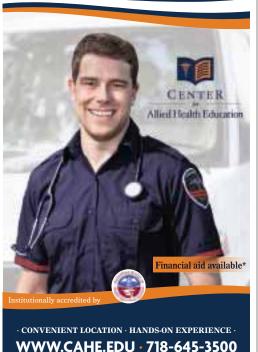
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#### Indiana governor vows to 'fix' law

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Indiana's Gov. Mike Pence, responding to national outrage over the state's new Religious Freedom Restoration Act, said he will "fix" it to make it clear businesses cannot use the law to deny services to same-sex couples.

Pence, in a news conference, said the law he signed last week had been unfairly "smeared," but he called on the state's Republican-controlled

General Assembly to come TWEEDY OF WILCO

up with clarifications this week.

"I believe it would be appropriate to make it clear that this law does not give businesses the right to deny services to anyone," he told reporters at a testy, nationally televised news conference in the state capital, Indianapolis.

Pence faced massive pressure from businesses over the bill, which passed with an overwhelming majority in the state's legislature.

Rock band Wilco canceled a show in Indianapolis and Democratic governors from both coasts, joined by New York Governor Andrew Cuomo, banned official travel to Indiana. NASCAR and the Indianapolis-based NCAA, an organization for university athletic programs, expressed concern over the law. **REUTERS** 

Two woman arrested for butt injections

Dallas police said they arrested a woman on accusations of providing illegal butt injections, which may have resulted in one woman's death.

Jimmy Joe Clarke was charged with practicing medicine without a license.

Her business partner Denise Ross, 43, also known as "Wee Wee," turned herself in to authorities last week for similar charges.

Investigators said they charged customers for hydrogel injections, a substance not approved by the Federal Drug Administration. **REUTERS** 

#### RadioShack co-brandina of stores with **Sprint wins** court approval

A plan to salvage RadioShack's business by co-branding most of its 1,740 surviving stores with cellular phone provider Sprint earned U.S. bankruptcy court approval on Tuesday, ending four days of contested court hearings.

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#### **Uber driver** accused of burglary

Police arrested a driver for the Uber car service who is accused of trying to burglarize a Denver woman's home after he dropped her off at the city's airport.

Gerald Montgomery was taken into custody in the suburb of Golden after a warrant was issued for him on suspicion of attempted burglary.

Police say he drove the woman to Denver International Airport last week, but allegedly returned to the home where he had picked her up and tried to break in through the back door. **REUTERS** 

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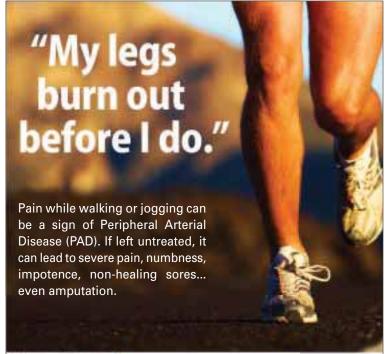
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# Self-driving autos. Honda to test prototypes at former naval base

Honda Motor Co. has joined Daimler AG's Mercedes-Benz in testing self-driving vehicles and technologies on private roads at a former U.S. naval facility outside San Francisco, the Japanese automaker said Tuesday.

Honda also is a partner in the University of Michigan's Mobility Transformation Center, which plans to open a similar testing facility called Mcity this summer in Ann Arbor.

Honda said it will test prototype versions of its Acura RLX sedan, fitted with sensors and cameras that could be used on future self-driving vehicles. The former naval base has 20 miles of paved roads and a variety of buildings, and will not be open to the public.

Honda and Mercedes are using the former Concord Naval Weapons Station to test and develop advanced driver-assistance technologies to improve



safety. Before car companies introduce fully self-driving vehicles over the next five to 10 years, those driver-assistance technologies are being phased in with features such as adaptive cruise control and lane-keeping.

Honda said the 5,000acre facility, which the U.S. Navy closed in 2007, is a "controlled environment that can be continuously modified" to test experimental vehicles and systems. Eventually, it will be used by a consortium that includes Honda as well as vehicle insurers, Miles

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Delphi on Tuesday expected to conclude a 3,500-mile cross-country drive in a specially equipped Audi SQ5 designed to pilot itself on main highways and freeways.

repairers and other autorelated enterprises.

Other companies, from supplier Delphi Automotive to Internet giant Google Inc., have been testing prototype self-driving cars on public roads. REUTERS



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Relatives at a monument to honor the victims of the Germanwings flight in front of the mountains near the crash site. / GETTY IMAGES

# Lufthansa flight school knew pilot's depression

**Crash.** The new findings raise questions about the screening process for Lufthansa pilots.

The German pilot who crashed a plane in the French Alps last week, killing 150 people, told officials at a Lufthansa training school in 2009 that he had gone through a period of severe depression, the airline said on Tuesday.

The statement is potentially damaging for the airline and its CEO Carsten Spohr, who told reporters last week that the carrier knew of no reason why 27-year-old Andreas Lubitz might deliberately crash a plane.

The fact that Lufthansa officials were aware that Lubitz suffered from depression raises questions about its screening process for pilots as it faces the threat of legal action from relatives of the victims.

Lufthansa said Lubitz broke off his pilot training for a period of several months but then passed medical checks confirming his fitness to fly.

When Lubitz resumed

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Lufthansa was already facing unlimited liability for damages in the crash, lawyers have said, and has told its insurers to set aside \$300 million to deal with claims, recovery costs and the loss of the aircraft.

training in 2009, he provided the flight school with medical documents showing that he had gone through a "previous episode of severe depression," Lufthansa said, citing emailed correspondence between Lubitz and the flight school.

Dusseldorf state prosecutors said on Monday Lubitz had been treated for suicidal tendencies before getting his pilot's license.

Last week, they found torn-up sick notes showing that Lubitz was suffering from an illness that should have grounded him.

Germanwings said it had not received a sick note from Lubitz for the day of the crash. Lubitz had a valid medical certificate at the time of the crash of the Airbus A320 operated by its budget unit, Lufthansa added.

#### Germanwings crash

# Crash triggers debate on confidentiality

Calls to relax Germany's strict doctor-patient confidentiality law after a Germanwings plane crash last week have touched nerve in a country obsessed about privacy because of its authoritarian past.

A debate on the law

began after reports that Andreas Lubitz had hidden sensitive information about his health from the airline.

German prosecutors say Lubitz had been treated in the past for suicidal tendencies and also suffered bouts of depression. Police searching his apartment found he was given a doctor's sick leave note for the day the crash occurred.

Dirk Fischer, a senior

member of parliament in Chancellor Angela Merkel's conservatives, told the Rheinische Post newspaper the confidentiality rules should be relaxed if lives could be put in jeopardy.

But medical and aviation associations rejected those calls on Tuesday, arguing the laws were a "precious commodity" that should not be tampered with. REUTERS

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"Such measures won't prevent accidents from happening in the future. Instead, it will only lead to affected patients not seeking out treatment."

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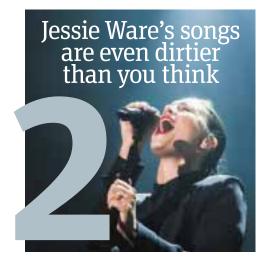
# Ryan Phillippe's daughter on the perils of having a hot dad



Genetics have been very kind to Ryan Phillippe, who apparently doesn't age. Which is superawkward, as it turns out, for his teenage daughter, Ava. "It's crazy. And still, I get carded constantly," he tells Variety. "My daughter hates it because

sometimes people have thought I'm her brother, and she's freaked out by that." I'm sure she's also not so hot on him saying things like this to a major trade publication, but hey, if you can't mortify your 15-year-old daughter in print, what's the point of being famous? Also, it's nice to know there's now a male version of the Dina Lohan "people think we're sisters!" thing.

# THEWORD **Ned Ehrbar takes** on the world of gossip. **NED EHRBAR**



When we caught up with British soul singer Jessie Ware in London, we couldn't help but ask about the obvious sexual innuendo in her song, "Champagne Kisses." Is she really talking about fellatio? Ware would only blush, but her laugh said it all. "I did think to change

the title, but then I just thought, 'Sod it,'" she says. Surprisingly, Ware

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says her mom is more concerned with her style. 'She's usually like, 'Why aren't you wearing red lipstick?' She's very positive, but she wants me to be wearing my red lipstick." RICHARD PECKETT/MWN

# Kit Harington is sick of being objectified

Ekirstiealley: When others accuse U falsely & unjustly, just keep loving them..U don't have to invite them to dinner, but hating them poisons your soul :) It's so hard for men in Hollywood, isn't it? All this attention paid just to your looks, when no one bothers to find out what's really going on inside. At ice to Adobe and its least that's how it's been for "Game of Thrones" @Bitchuation: To be clear: If you're looking for fair, you're in the wrong star Kit Harington, who plays hunky — see? even I'm doing it — Jon Snow on the HBO series. "I'm in a successful TV show in a kind of leading man way, @TomArnold: I wish the people who sold me and it can sometimes feel people who sold inc all my wedding cakes would've had a damn co like your art is being put to one side for your sex appeal. And I don't like tĥat," he tells Page Six. "To always be put on a pedestal as a hunk is

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really is, and it's in the same way as it is for women. When an actor is seen only for her physical beauty, it can be quite offensive.'

I mean, hey, he can't help that he's attractive, right? So please, if you get a chance to speak with Harington, do not point out that he's really, really, ridiculously goodlooking, OK? Because he's had enough of it. "In this position, you get asked a lot, 'Do you like being a heartthrob? Do you like being a hunk?" he adds. "Well, my answer is, 'That's not what I got into it for.'"



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#### **Interview. Former Beastie Boy Adam Horovitz returns to acting** for 'While We're Young'

Adam Horovitz, perhaps better known as Beastie Boy Ad-Rock, is not the loud bundle of sometimes confrontational energy he seems onstage and onscreen. He's soft-spoken, friendly yet guarded. That's not to say he's not as funny. He's both funny and serious in Noah Baumbach's "While We're Young," in which he plays a go-tobed-early 40-something dad whose childless friends (Ben Stiller and Naomi Watts) start hanging with millennials (Adam Driver and Amanda Seyfried).

#### You're not instantly recognizable when you first appear onscreen.

People have mentioned they've been taken aback. But I feel comfortable in that role.

#### This touches on some dark themes about aging and wanting to feel connected to youth.

I think we're all afraid of death. Being 48 is more weird than frightening. I'm fine right now. When I'm 72, this might be a different conversation. I might be just crying constantly.

The film is also about the young and how they're seen by the previous generation. When you're 48, and you play shows in a band, most of the people there are younger than you. I don't really think about it so much. I'm really busy. I got a lot on my plate. I have to walk the dog three times a day. I have to order Chinese food. Days fly by. When you're young, you have all this time to focus on one thing. I remember there was a crack in the sidewalk, and I would try to jump my skateboard BEHOLD ADAM HOROVITZ IN over the crack. NOAH BAUMBACH'S "WHILE That was my WE'RE YOUNG": A DAD WITH A whole day. FUNNY SWEATER. / WIREIMAGE And it was a fun day. And the hangovers are worse, too.

#### **Bonus question**

#### Adam the actor

You actually pursued an acting career when you were younger. You were even in a film directed by "Chariots of Fire' director Hugh Hudson

[1989's "Lost Angels," starring Horovitz as a juvenile delinquent in therapy with Donald Sutherland]. I read you were serious about it. I wasn't actually really serious, in retrospect. I

I was at my

friend's birth-

day party the other

drunk. MATT PRIGGE

night, and I think I'm still

was really high a lot of the time. That's probably what it was. I'm just being honest. I was living in California and smoking a lot of pot and not really focusing. And I think it shows in my work.

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# Jamie Fraser is

Interview. Sam Heughan says Jamie will be as dashing as ever on "Outlander."

Claire Randall (nee Beauchamp, and now Fraser) has had a rough couple of weeks on Starz's "Outlander." Since accidentally timetraveling from post-World War II-era Scotland to the same area in the 1740s, she's been in near constant danger. Luckily, she's had the dashing Jamie Fraser to save her. At the end of the first half of the season, we saw him come to the rescue once again, but Sam Heughan, who plays Jamie, says it's not all about saving the day.

"I think especially in the first half of the season, he does come across as this dashing hero who is always there at the right time and can't do anything wrong. But obviously, it's from Claire's point of view, and when we start to dig deeper in the second half of the season, we see a lot more of where Jamie's come from and what he's had to go through to get there," explains Heughan.

That's not to say he's completely done with heroism. "He's still very dashing and does certainly save Claire a couple of times, but we start to realize he doesn't do it without some effort," says Heughan.

Jamie's relationship with Claire has seen its share of ups and downs. She doesn't always understand the social mores of the world she's traveled to. "What he's attracted to, but what is also a constant source of frustration for him, is the fact that she is headstrong and does what she thinks, and he'll tell her to do one thing, and she'll go and do something else," says Heughan.

But Jamie is doing the best he can, considering the circumstances. "I think Jamie's a quite modern man, quite forward-thinking for the time, but he's also a product of the time. He's been brought up a certain way," says Heughan. "But he's very well educated, and he's traveled a lot, and I think that's what gives him the ability, further down the line, to appreciate where she's from and not run a mile when she tells him the truth."



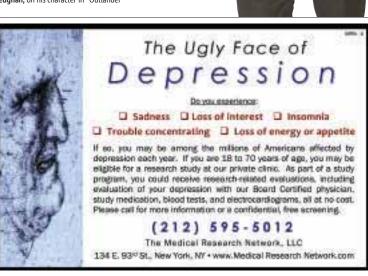
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SAM HEUGHAN

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"He's still very dashing and does certainly save Claire a couple of times, but we start to realize he doesn't do it without some effort."

Heughan, on his character in "Outlander"



# back to save the day



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#### The Scene

Readers of the "Outlander" books know a troubling scene is coming up. After Claire's disobedience leads both her and Jamie into danger, he spanks her to teach her a lesson. "That was probably one of the harder scenes to pitch right, coming from a modern perspective, but ultimately he's a man of the times," says Heughan. He says he understands Jamie, even if he doesn't agree with him. "She's put everyone in grave danger. They could have all been killed," he says. "As the season progresses, he learns that isn't the way to go about things, and he learns a very big lesson, as does she, and that leads them to move forward in their relationship."

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"My biggest tip for anyone looking to make over or organize a space is to add special touches that will keep you motivated to maintain all of that hard work," says Jones. She lines drawers with decorative paper ("for a happy surprise each time you reach for a pen") and surrounds herself with personal items. "Your favorite Instagram moments can be pinned up alongside your daily 'to do' list on the memo board above your desk," she says.



your work space

Say so long to a messy, cluttered and drab office. Here are some tips to increase productivity without compromising style.



Face it, we spend most of our time sitting behind a desk at work or in front of a computer at home. So that little office nook deserves some design attention. And it needs to be functional, too. (No one has five minutes to waste looking for a renegade Post-It pad.) To help, IHeartOrganizing's Jennifer Jones partnered with HomeGoods to create her ideal office. We take notes.



#### Keep office supplies in check

"I use acrylic organizers from the beauty department to store my office supplies," says Jones. And it's not just because they're way more glam than anything at Staples. "You can see everything inside, and it saves you time from rummaging around, looking for things." Another cool tip: the expert uses a vase to store rolls of paper. 'When organizing. you don't always have to use pieces for their intended use - aet creative," she says.



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# Bushwick reborn

From desperate decay to hipster haven, gentrification epitomized.

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#### THEREALDEAL

The name Bushwick still conjures visions of poverty and drugs for New Yorkers of a certain age. But to the young-and-tattooed set, the Northeast Brooklyn neighborhood means new luxury units, art galleries, trendy bars and all things hipster.

Where crime rates have plummeted — there were nine murders in NYPD's 83rd Precinct last year, down from 77 in 1990 — development is on the rise. A host of new luxury rentals and condos are in the works as artists, 20-somethings and young professionals flock to the lower rents, proximity to the L train and emerging nightlife.

#### Top developments

Bushwick now hosts at least eight condo buildings. The newest development, at 330 Bleecker St., consists of eight two-bedroom condos featuring handmade oak kitchen cabinets and bamboo flooring. Prices start around \$725,000 and cap at \$950,000. Douglas Elliman is handling sales.

Developer Boaz Gilad launched 13 Melrose, one of the first boutique condominiums in the neighborhood, in August. It features eight units – seven one-bedroom condos with home offices and one duplex apartment - five of which sold in the first week. Prices range from \$389,000 to \$733,000. Marketing is by Aptsandlofts.com.

Colony 1209, a new 127-unit luxury rental building on Dekalb Avenue, boasts a list of amenities more typically found in Manhattan and Williamsburg: a 24-hour doorman, screening room, billiard room and roof deck. One-bedrooms start





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at \$2,200 per month and two-bedrooms run from \$2,700 to \$3,200 monthly. Leasing is being handled by Aptsandlofts.com.

Two years ago, the site at 51 Troutman Street was an empty lot. Today, it houses a four-story building with eight rental units. Rents start at \$2,076 per month for a 526-squarefoot one-bedroom and go up to \$3,323 for a threebedroom duplex. Leasing is being handled by Modern Spaces. KERRY MURTHA



"Bushwick is locked and loaded as a gentrifying rental market, and investors are pouring into the multifamily resale market. But as quick returns are harder to come by, we'll be seeing more end-user purchases and less flippers over the next year."

Doug Perlson, CEO of RealDirect



95 Evergreen will Street will soon be converted into office and retail space.

#### Price trends

Average monthly rental price for a one-bedroom, up 20% from a year ago. Studios average \$1,800, and two-bedrooms average \$2,173.





#### Aries | March 21-April 20

In your rush to do too much, minor mishaps are likely. Proceed cautiously when using equipment. Problems with authority figures will surface.

#### Taurus | April 21-May 21 Make the most of your outgoing, friendly nature. Get involved in anything that will let you use your people

skills to get ahead.

you set out to do.

II Gemini | May 22-June 20 Patience will be the key to getting ahead. Minor delays may keep you off-schedule, but you will accomplish all

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#### Gancer | June 21-July 22 Unanticipated changes will cause you to hastily make crucial decisions. Don't expect your colleagues to

#### agree with your choices. ∩ Leo | July 23-Aug. 22

Be vigilant when it comes to your assets. A donation will wreak havoc on your budget. Scrutinize any organization that you are planning to invest in.

#### MP Virgo | Aug. 23-Sept. 22 Emotional turmoil will slow you down. Do your best to maintain your composure, and take a more relaxed attitude.

#### **△** Libra | Sept. 23-0ct. 22

You have a lot to do today, making it vital that you double-check everything. Acting in haste will result in costly errors.

#### M Scorpio Oct. 23-Nov. 21 Don't second-quess your plans. Once you have made up your mind, take action. You could miss a valuable opportunity if you don't

move quickly.

#### 📝 Sagittarius | Nov. 22-Dec. 21 Don't be overwhelmed by the number of issues facing you today. A methodical approach will help you get through your tasks.

#### 7 Capricorn | Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Put your strategy in place and get ready to advance.

Set up meetings, travel or upgrade your qualifications.

#### 🗻 Aquarius | Jan. 21-Feb. 18 You have been coasting for too long. It's time to make big changes. A new vocation or relocation will be exactly what is needed to keep you moving in an upward direction.

#### Pisces | Feb. 19-March 20 Don't open up too quickly if someone is pressing you for personal information, or your words may be used against you. EUGENIA LAST

#### Letters to the editor

#### Republicans in Congress are seeking a long-term solution to deal with Iran, not just any old deal

Re: 'Fight against nuclear future' (Metro, March 31) Letter writer Mary Popeo has things backwards. The 46 members of Congress who "seek to foil nuclear negotiations between the U.S. and Iran" seek the best policy to prevent the murderous Tehran regime from developing nuclear weapons.

The sanctions

are not a "strategy that has failed in the past." Rather, they are damaging the Iranian economy and are the only reason the Iranians are negotiating.

Congress is extremely concerned that the Obama administration, which does whatever it wants, will negotiate a bad deal, which only delays and doesn't prevent Iran's nuclear weapons capability.

The sanctions should be continued until the Iranian regime collapses or offers a deal that truly guarantees the elimination of their nuclear threat. JIM FLETCHER, VIA EMAIL

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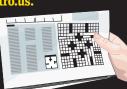
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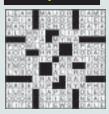
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# *Tets ditch* Tuesday that they will run camp at their cur-rent practice facilities in Florham Park, New Jersey, beginning this summer. The Jets had held camp in Cortland since 2009, the first year under former ead coach Rex Ryan Jets president Neil Glat told ESPN that fans to attend the preto see this week's NBA power rankings.

# Mets with a mix of young and (very) old in rotation

MLB. Bartolo Colon will get the ball on Day 1, but Matt Harvey is the unquestioned ace.

The Mets' rotation took a huge hit when Zack Wheeler was forced to undergo Tommy John surgery, but they still have one of the strongest and deepest rotations in the entire league. The Mets have been stockpiling young arms since Sandy Alderson took over at GM five years ago and a few have made their way into big league rotation. A look at said rotation heading into 2015:

#### **Bartolo Colon**

He may not have been the most popular option with the fans, but Bartolo Colon will be getting the ball on Opening Day when the Mets visit the Nationals on April 6. At age 41, Colon will be the oldest Opening Day starter in Mets history, eclipsing Tom Glavine by almost a year. Colon was serviceable but streaky during 2014, going 15-13 with a 4.09 ERA. He is, by no means, the top dog on the pitching staff but if he throws like he did last year he'll either be a valuable part of the Mets playoff push or a desirBartolo Colon registered a 15-13 record with a 4.09 ERA in 2014. / GETTY IMAGES

Back end

Jon Niese and Dillon Gee are expected to occupy the fourth and fifth spots in the rotation.

- Niese has a very respectable 3.87 career ERA.
- Gee went 7-8 with a 4.00 ERA last year but missed a chunk of time due to
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able commodity on the trading block in July.

#### Jacob deGrom

Jacob deGrom soared above and beyond anyone's expectations when he was called up from Triple-A Las Vegas last May. deGrom went 9-6 with a 2.69 ERA in his debut season, good enough to win the NL Rookie of the Year award. If there is a flaw in deGrom's game

it's that his control can abandon him at times; he allowed 2.8 BB/9inn last season. His SO/9inn is 9.2, and while that is a great number, it demonstrates that deGrom will often have to throw a lot of pitches per start. He will need to get more quick outs on the mound if he wants to avoid reaching a pitch/innings limit before the season ends. deGrom will look to build on his superb 2014 when he starts the second game of the season and the home opener on April 13 vs. the

#### **Matt Harvey**

Matt Harvey has been nothing short of spectacular in his short career with the Mets, including an incredible 2013 campaign in which he went 9-5 with a 2.27 ERA. He was with the Cy Young leaders that season in other statistical categories, including WHIP (0.937), SO/9inn (9.6) and BB/9inn (1.6). When Harvey was forced to miss 2014 to recover from Tommy John surgery the fanbase was devastated. But Harvey is back and appears to be loaded for bear in 2015. His fastball hit 98 mph on the radar gun throughout spring training where he was nearly untouchable.

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#### NCAA

#### Kentucky close to perfection

Kentucky (38-o) has already set an NCAA record for the most wins in a single season but if they lose in the Final Four on Saturday (8:49 p.m., TBS) to Wisconsin or in the National Championship to either Duke or Michigan State on Monday (9 p.m., CBS) in Indianapolis, then it will only serve as a painful footnote.

A look at which team is best poised to knock off Kentucky.

#### Wisconsin

The 'Cats are favored by



five, but the Badgers have to like their chances at pulling off the upset given the way they match up with Kentucky, plus the added motivation of a heartbreaking 74-73 loss to them in last year's Final Four.

You wouldn't normally think that the Badgers can match up athletically with the NBA-draft-prospect-laden Wildcats, but Wisconsin has some elite talent. Senior forward Frank Kaminsky should win the Wooden Award, and he's played like that in the NCAA Tournament, scoring 29 points and six rebounds against Arizona.

#### Duke

If Kentucky gets by Wisconsin again, they'd similarly have their hands full with the Blue Devils. Freshman center Jahlil Okafor has gotten much of the attention and a matchup between him down low with Kentucky freshman Karl-Anthony Towns and junior Willie Cauley-Stein would be a juicy storyline.

Unlike John Calipari's program, Duke isn't known as much for one-and-dones, but they have two other guys that could be gone after their freshman seasons: Forward Justise Winslow and guard Tyus

Jones could be NBA-bound at the end of the season.

#### Michigan State

Finally, as a No. 7 seed, the Spartans are the only team that was not at all expected to make it this far. The Spartans are a five-point underdog against Duke. If they pulled off that first upset, they would be a double-digit underdog against Kentucky. Senior quard Travis Trice is a winner who always makes Michigan State dangerous, but it's tough to think they could go through both Duke and Kentucky.

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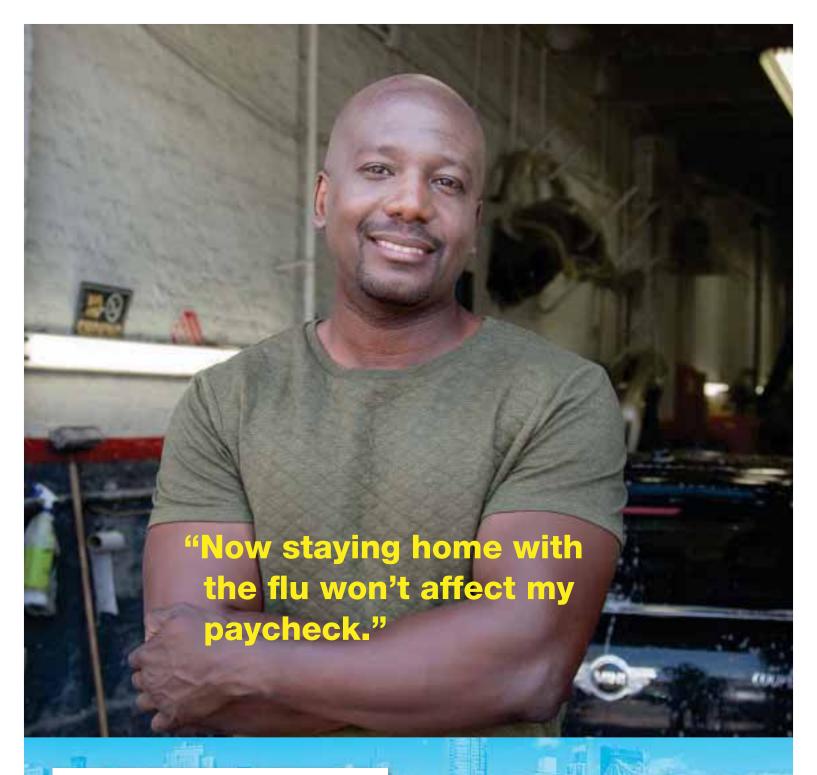
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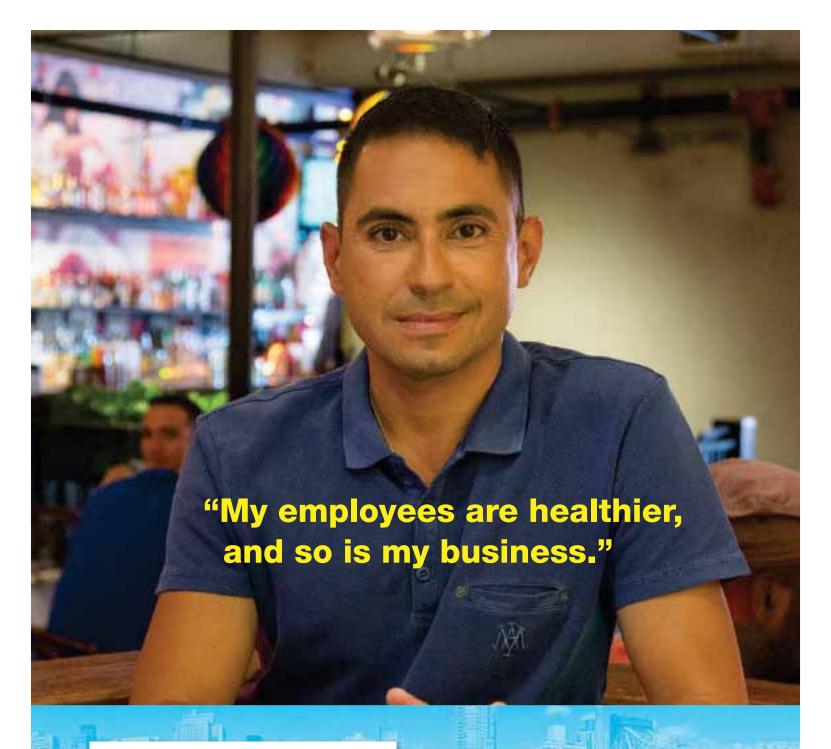
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